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Applicants : Bernard F. Mach et al.
Serial No. : 08/484,786
Filed : June 7, 1995
For : DNA SEQUENCES CODING FOR THE DR β -CHAIN
LOCUS OF THE HUMAN LYMPHOCYTE ANTIGEN
COMPLEX AND POLYPEPTIDES, DIAGNOSTIC
TYPING PROCESSES AND PRODUCTS RELATED
THERE TO

New York, New York
January 22, 2001

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants request that the time for filing a Response to the July 21, 2000 Official Communication in the above-identified application be extended for a period of three months, from October 21, 2000, up to and including January 21, 2001.

Applicants have enclosed herewith a check in the amount of \$890.00 to cover the fee for this three-month extension of time [37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17(a)(3) and 1.136(a)]. The Commissioner is

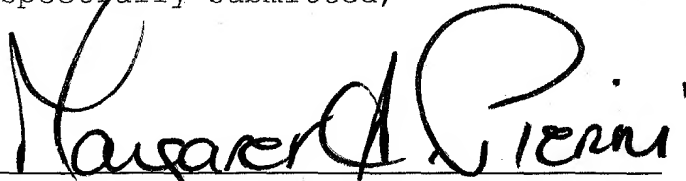
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hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fee required in connection with this Petition, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,



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